

Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices

U.S. VACCINE ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviations for Vaccines Included in the Immunization Schedules for Children, Adolescents, and Adults

Following is a table of standardized vaccine abbreviations, which was developed jointly by staff of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, ACIP Workgroups, the editor of the *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*, the editor of *Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases* (the “Pink Book”), ACIP members, and liaison organizations to the ACIP.

These abbreviations are intended to provide a uniform approach to vaccine references used in ACIP Recommendations and Notices to Readers that are published in the *MMWR*, the *Pink Book*, the American Academy of Pediatrics *Red Book*, and other publications.

Vaccine	Abbreviation*	Trade Name
Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis-containing vaccines		
• Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids adsorbed (children)	DT	several mfrs [†]
• Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine adsorbed	DTaP	several mfrs
• Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids adsorbed (adult)	Td	several mfrs
• Tetanus toxoid, reduced diphtheria toxoid and acellular pertussis vaccine, adsorbed	Tdap	Adacel, Boostrix
• Tetanus toxoid	TT	several mfrs
• Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis adsorbed and <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b conjugate vaccine	DTaP/Hib	TriHIBit
• Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis adsorbed, hepatitis B and inactivated poliovirus vaccine	DTaP-HepB-IPV	Pediarix
• Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis adsorbed and inactivated poliovirus vaccine	DTaP-IPV	Kinrix
• Diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis adsorbed, inactivated poliovirus and <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b conjugate vaccine	DTaP-IPV/Hib	Pentacel
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b-containing vaccines		
• <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b conjugate vaccine	Hib	PedvaxHIB ActHIB
• <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b conjugate and hepatitis B vaccine	Hib-HepB	Comvax

* dash (-) indicates: products that are supplied in their final form by the manufacturer and do not require mixing or reconstitution by user; slash (/) indicates: products that are mixed or reconstituted by user.

[†] several manufacturers; for complete listing, see

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/downloads/appendices/B/us-vaccines.pdf> and
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/about/terms/USVaccines.html>

Vaccine	Abbreviation	Trade Name
Hepatitis vaccines		
• Hepatitis A vaccine	HepA	Havrix Vaqta
• Hepatitis B vaccine	HepB	Engerix-B Recombivax HB
• Hepatitis A inactivated and hepatitis B vaccine	HepA-HepB	Twinrix
Herpes zoster (shingles) vaccine	ZOS	Zostavax
Human papillomavirus vaccines		
• Human papillomavirus vaccine (quadrivalent)	HPV4	Gardasil
• Human papillomavirus vaccine (bivalent)	HPV2	Cervarix (not yet licensed in U.S.)
Influenza vaccines		
• Trivalent inactivated influenza vaccine	TIV	several mfrs
• Live attenuated influenza vaccine	LAIV	FluMist
Measles-containing vaccines		
• Measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine	MMR	M-M-R II
• Measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella vaccine	MMRV	ProQuad
Meningococcal vaccines		
• Meningococcal conjugate vaccine (quadrivalent)	MCV4	Menactra
• Meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine (quadrivalent)	MPSV4	Menomune
Pneumococcal vaccines		
• Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (7-valent)	PCV7	Prenvar
• Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (13-valent)	PCV13	not yet licensed in U.S.
• Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (23-valent)	PPSV23	Pneumovax 23
Poliovirus vaccine (inactivated)	IPV	Ipol
Rotavirus vaccines		
• Rotavirus vaccine (monovalent)	RV1	Rotarix
• Rotavirus vaccine (pentavalent)	RV5	RotaTeq
Varicella vaccine	VAR	Varivax

This document can be found on the CDC website at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/acip/downloads/vac-abbrev.pdf>